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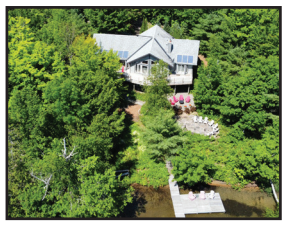

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A group of Abbey Retreat Centre participants are pictured with Abbey Retreat Centre co-director Barb Smith-Morrison, at far right. /Photo submitted

Abbey Retreat Centre: A loving community

I felt the last years' events shake out of my shoulders with each strike of my palm against the drum. As I lost myself in the rhythm, I remembered what carefree felt like. I smiled as I looked around the room at the people who had become a part of my loving community over the course of a couple of days at the Abbey Retreat Centre. It felt so good.

The last couple of years have been filled with some of my most intense highs, but also some of my lowest lows. My husband, Rafael, is likely to say the same. We married on a beach in Brazil in October 2020 looking forward to our life together and with plans for a family. In January, we were thrilled to discover I was pregnant and in April even more so when our ultrasound revealed a healthy baby and we passed the first trimester. Our unencumbered joy was short-lived though when a different ultrasound revealed I was growing something else; a cancerous tumor in my left breast. I was 15 weeks pregnant.

We had been living in Brazil while I worked at the Canadian Embassy there. Our departure was swift but complicated in the era of COVID. I started chemo living in a hotel while in quarantine, my Google searches veered towards cancer over pregnancy, but the support I had from my medical team was outstanding. My baby and I went through eight rounds of treatment together as my belly grew bigger and my hair disappeared. My husband, new to Canada, and locked out of all medical appointments suffered greatly.

In mid-September, our son Benjamin, was born thriving via C-section just seven days before I underwent my lumpectomy. My mom, who lives in BC, helped negotiate the first few days with a newborn. An infection landed me back in the hospital two days after my breast surgery but at least after a couple of days Rafael and Ben were able to come and stay. Once released, I had hoped for a small window of peace, but unfortunately, the surgery did not eliminate the cancer, my second (third) surgery followed soon thereafter. Radiation took me through Christmas and New Years but by mid-January 2022 I was out of "active" treatment. My son was four months old and my husband and I were forever changed. Now, I take the preventative treatments, keep my fingers crossed, and try and regain some of the normalcy that I had hoped for.

The weight of our experience put enormous strain on each of us individually and on our marriage. As soon as I heard about the Abbey Retreat Centre I applied. I was thrilled when I got the call to join a retreat and overjoyed that Rafael would be able to come. The experience was nothing short of transformative.

The stress-reducing practices, the healthy delicious food and the kindness of people left us renewed and ready for the future. It is a priceless gift.

Submitted by Jessica Mills,
Cancer Support Retreat participant

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Can-do culture

LAURIE JONES
Special to *County Life*

My garden is about to be assaulted by well-drilling equipment and I've been struggling with what to do with my well-established echinacea, hollyhock and lavender plants to help them withstand the trauma. Naturally the man with the drill said the best spot to dig is smack in the middle of their glorious late summer display. He predicts hitting good water at about 200 feet and assures us "it's there, no question about it."

We overlook a shallow arm of a spring-fed lake in Highlands East, draw "grey water" from there, pick up drinking water from the Gooderham Library well and, on fine days, enjoy bathing in lake water.

I seem to have set down roots of my own. I think my flowers will be just fine. But over the past couple of years the sense of isolation I have enjoyed so well has been interrupted by voices, chainsaws, hammering, delivery trucks and ATVs. Progress is headed my way. Not such a bad prospect when I think about it. A couple of things happened that last really windy day that had me positively swooning over the sound of a chainsaw! My after-work drive home down Glamorgan Road was completely blocked by a fallen evergreen, at a blind corner no less! No phone service on that stretch (as we all know by now). What was a girl to do but wait 'til someone stopped? It did not take long. First one, then another, then a third vehicle pulled over. Driver number one used brute force to snap the tree's tip and clear a small opening. Number two produced a collapsible saw and set to work on branches and number three, (surely a lumberjack), strode up swinging a chainsaw like Thor's hammer and finished the wind's dirty work. Together we rolled the giant tree into the ditch in pieces and waved goodbye. I was almost home.

Irene Faiz, *Cabins by the River*, acrylic on canvas, 18 x 24 . "This painting reminds me of structure I have seen that seem to grow up organically over time, more as the need arises for more built forms or shelter arises than anything else." It is available at the Rails End Gallery Shop. /Submitted by Laurie Jones.

A quarter of an hour later I turned in at Tamarack Lake Road. Yikes, another tree down! This was a poplar, alive and bigger than the last. By now it was getting to be suppertime.

"Back soon with a chainsaw" said the couple in work clothes heading to town.

My friend Rainer arrived with his ATV, the mule, laughing as he cheered "the cavalry to the rescue!"

One after another vehicles carrying groceries, kids and moms pulled up behind mine and out came the mobile phones.

"It won't be long, I told him there'd be no supper 'til he got out here with the truck," said Mrs. G. briskly and sure enough the truck arrived in moments!

The poplar did not stand a chance at that point and was sawed up and the roadway swept clean in minutes. Hardly any words were spoken, it was as if everyone knew just what to do. And they did it. Supper was made, errands run and likely some firewood gathered. End of story. No big deal in the can-do culture of Highlands East.

PS. I am starting to check out chainsaws.

Laurie Jones is the executive director/ curator at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre

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Summer of music strikes a chord

BARRIE MARTIN
Haliburton County Folk Society

It was a summer of live music. After two years of being COVID bound, the local music scene rebounded with a vengeance. There was an abundance of live music in a variety of venues – breweries, pubs, restaurants, parks, docks and backyards. I tried to count the number of concerts in July and August, but stopped at 105 performances. This amount significantly exceeds pre-COVID levels.

Presenters presented local and guest performers throughout the summer. It was a smorgasbord of folk, rock, blues, country and opera. Consumers of concerts had much to choose from - maybe too much. Which of three concerts shall I attend tonight?

Local performers had more opportunities than usual.

"The *Charlie Davis Group* performed seven times over the summer, in every case to enthusiastic and supportive audiences. It was marvelous to be playing live again and interacting with a live audience. A huge thank you to all the local venues for opening their stages again to offer live music," says Walt Tose. Jeff Moulton notes that he is "very thankful and blessed to live and perform in such a supportive and appreciative community."

Presenters experienced mixed results with audiences ranging from meager to mediocre to full houses. Kayla Gardner of Sir Sam's Ski and Ride said, "We had challenges trying to secure artists in a short amount of time, but we were able to entertain every Friday night with a new entertainer/ sometimes a repeat entertainer all summer long. Overall, our experience was fantastic and moving forward we will be offering music for special events and introducing regular Saturday night music every weekend at the hill for the entire winter season from the roster we were able to build over the summer."

As a big music fan, Don Gage said, "The thing that struck me was that there is more live music here than I could find in Newfoundland! I have been astounded at how many places in the Highlands are now doing live music … while I struggled to find it in NFLD. We are blessed!"

Roxanne Casey of Canoe FM noted that "There truly was musical talent everywhere. We noticed more and more local musicians were coming into the station bringing us their music for play or sale or to showcase on the air. Haliburton County is filled with so much talent and Canoe FM is so pleased to be part of this eclectic community filled with music, arts, and culture."

The Haliburton County Folk Society held back on presenting concerts given the crowded field of musical offerings. We focused on supporting other presenters by helping to plan concerts series, making local musicians aware of performance opportunities, providing sound equipment and lighting, and promoting concerts. Our open stages and concerts are resuming in the coming months.

We are back at the Royal Canadian Legion of Haliburton with Open Stage where all ages and abilities will introduce or showcase their talents to an appreciative audience. Open Stages occur on the second Saturday of every month.

On Oct. 7, *Big Little Lions* will be performing their brand of new folk and sophisticated pop at the Haliburton Legion. This dynamic duo, Paul Otten, and Helen Austin, have garnered several awards including the CFMA Ensemble of the Year, Independent Music Awards Americana Single of the Year and the John Lennon Songwriting Competition Song of the Year. Their critically acclaimed music has appeared on the CBC's Top-20 and featured on shows like Q and Vinyl Cafe.

On Nov. 19, we are beyond excited, even "breathless" to bring William Prince to town. Juno award winner William Prince approaches the big questions with humility and curiosity. Prince's influences, from the gospel of his childhood to the pantheon of classic outlaw country singers, baseball and the great beyond, shape his approach to songcraft, a master class in skillful simplicity.

More information and tickets can be found www.haliburtonfolk.com.

School bus safety reminder

Members of the Haliburton Highlands Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are reminding drivers to slow down and watch for school buses. Modern buses are now equipped with amber lights to provide drivers with advance notice that the school bus is preparing to stop.

Drivers who see a school bus with its upper amber lights activated should slow down and prepare to stop. Vehicles approaching a school bus with its upper red lights and/or stop arm activated must come to a complete stop.

The one exception is for vehicles in the opposite lane on roadways that are separated with a median strip.

Exercise patience in getting to your destination as young children might require extra time boarding and departing the bus.

To report motorists who fail to stop for school buses, please call 1-888-310-1122 or 9-1-1 in an emergency. Note the driver and vehicle description, licence plate and direction of travel.

Report incidents online at www.opp.ca/index.php?id=132.

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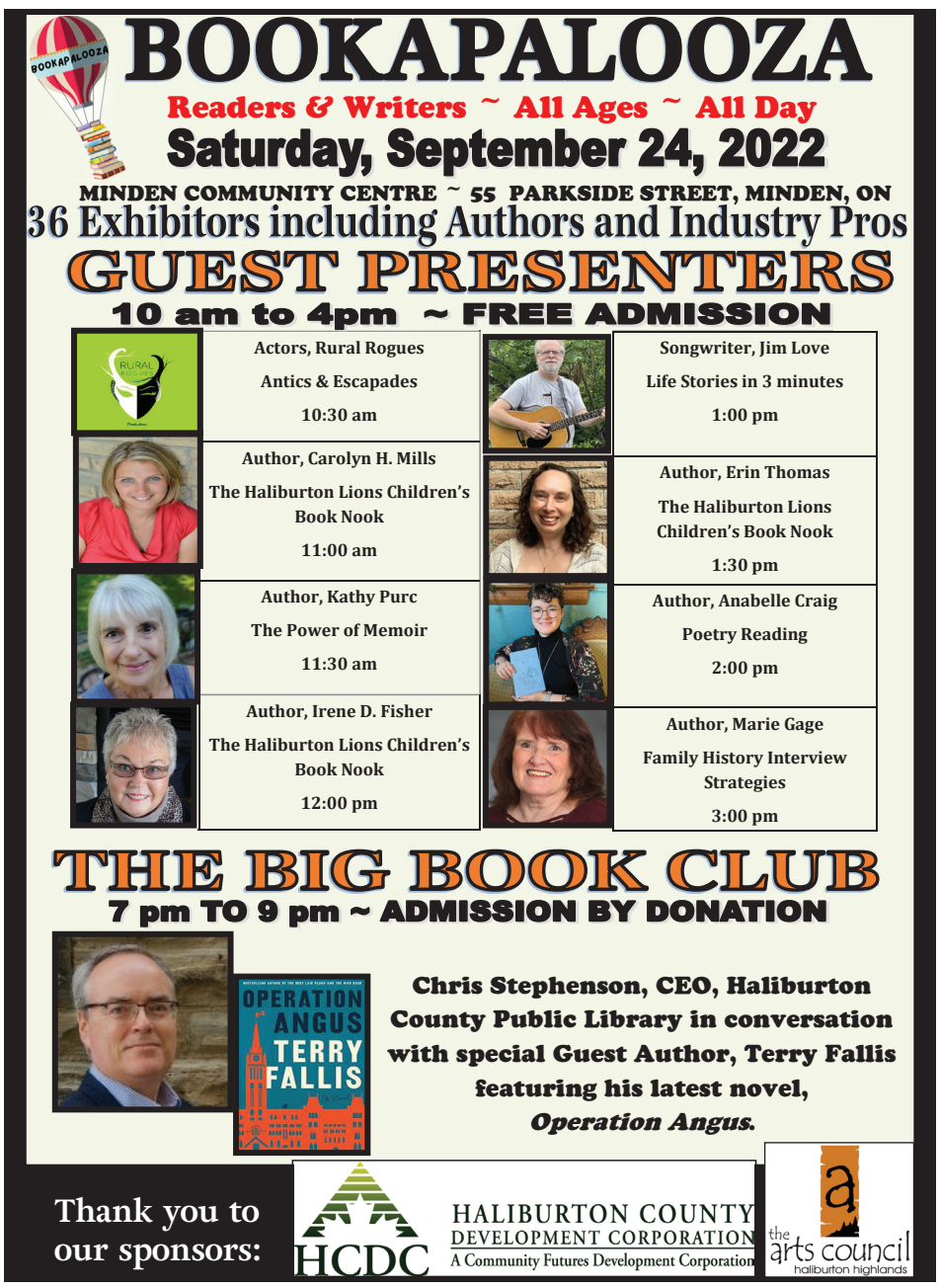
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The afternoon will be filled with inspiring stories from past retreat participants and fundraisers, activities for kids, a drumming circle, and live music by Nick and Benton. Admission is free.

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/VIVIAN COLLINGS Staff

Kaleidoscope eyes

Not too many vistas rock a soul like Highlands' hills
Autumn brings the best ones, science matching painter skills
Months of green, albeit, many hues and many shades
Shift through subtle mood change to birth orange-red cascades

Yellow too, some purple, even mottled random blend
Beckon hordes of tourists to where colours never end
Like a quilt of pieces stitched from changing leaves, not cloth
Forest whispering its call in splendid royal swath

Some of us grow wistful, wishing summer would remain
Others welcome winter and its black and white domain
Then there are the dreamers who embrace each quilted fall
Coziness, enchantment, fires, cinnamon, and all

When a poet gazes on a bending point of view
That's when possibilities invite a grand thank-you
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Hello, September

FOR THE FIRST time in a few years, this September has seemed relatively "normal" thus far. Yellow school buses are filled with nervously giggling children, the leaves are adopting a burnt orange hue, and the chevrons of Canada geese are starting to wake me up at 6 a.m. with their melodic squeaking as they prepare for a new endeavour to warmer climates. Pretty standard stuff so far.

As we ease back into normalcy in whatever form feels right for you, I hope this transitional time is accompanied by something that resembles rest.

For me, being the offspring of two teachers, autumn has always been ingrained in me as a busy season. It's a fresh start, a blank slate, and feels more like a "new year" than that random date in January.

EMILY STONEHOUSE
Special to County Life

While it is a new beginning, it's also an end. The end of warmer days, of shorter nights. The ending of sunshiny swims on the lake and crackling bonfires late into the evening. Summer holds a space of carefree freedom, childhood whimsy, and a buzz of business that keeps our bodies and minds moving for weeks on end. I know this particular summer has been very busy for the local community with returning visitors, flourishing new businesses, and opportunities to connect again for what feels like the first time in a long time.

I know many people who struggled with the almighty "no" over this summer. Not wanting to turn down any chance to get involved, to see friends, to take on more, just because we have been quiet for a while; scared that the opportunity would not present itself again.

As the cool blanket of fall settles in over our community, as does the opportunity for the return of structure and routine, I've seen many people - particularly parents - mentally preparing themselves for the start of the school year. The beginning of after-school sports, music lessons, birthday parties, play-dates, late-night cramming for tests, last minute school projects on the solar system. To the parents and the teachers, we applaud you for your hard work and dedication to making our kids stronger in so many ways, but, please, try not to let this burn you out.

The same way you carve out time for extra-curriculars or meetings throughout the day, I would encourage you to whittle in time for rest. For recovery. For recuperation. This could look like half an hour of quiet time, or perhaps just a moment to read a chapter from a book. It could be an opportunity to go for a walk, or the conscious effort of going to bed just a little bit earlier each night.

As animals, we need rest. We need sleep. We need to listen to our bodies, otherwise, our bodies and minds will crumble.

There is nothing in nature that blooms year-round, so you are not expected to either.

In this constantly whirring world of go, go, go, we are asked to keep up, to follow suit, to stand tall and stay in-line. Yet with that pace, we are sure to stumble and fall. You never know when, how, or where, but you will trip up if you do not give yourself rest.

As our lives shift into fall, just remember that you are not made to keep hustling. You do not exist in this world to keep up, you exist to live fully and comfortably in your journey. While we are not able to crawl into a cozy warm den and settle into a slumber like our bear friends over the winter months, we are certainly able to delve into a good book, drink a cup of tea, and even just practice saying the word "no." If we rest now, then we will be ready to bloom again when the time is right. Just take the time, for you, today.

Top 10 reasons people should have a third arm

EVERY NOW and then I think about the theory of evolution and notice a few wrong turns that were made. Typically, I am looking in the mirror at the time.

But sometimes I wonder deeper thoughts, such as why humans didn't we evolve to have three arms. There are so many reasons why this would have made sense. Here are my top ten.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. We could drive safely with two hands on the wheel and still flip another driver the bird.
2. Pitchers would be able to go more innings.
3. Juggling suddenly 50 per cent more interesting.
4. Would be able to dry and put away dishes simultaneously.
5. Triple high fives!
6. Everyone would be better at chin ups.
7. Could dive from high board and hold onto swim trunks at the same time.
8. Drumming would rise to a whole other level.
9. Would allow anglers to hold a big fish and take a selfie.
10. Would be a boon for a glove making industry.

Northbound

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dangling so low they skim the fields flanking the road, that narrows as space widens,
the bleating of sheep instead of cars, a balm for my ears as I peer out the open window,
Air, warm as fur, brushing my face, the tightness in my chest, loosening,
as Sky envelops us from all sides, my companion and I, as he drives,
each of us sticking an arm out the window,
the whoosh of Wind wobbling our wings,
the silence between us, natural as the fields unfurling all around us,
the lushness of the green, after days of Rain,
the plumpness of clouds as they billow up in Sky,
leading us northbound towards Lakes and hills,
where a speck of my soul flutters, refusing to leave,
a piece of me missing, swallowed by concrete.
The farther we drive, the more I feel alive, staring Sky straight in the eye,
instead of craning my neck up, straining to catch glimpses of it between glass towers,
my Heart hiccupping in my chest, when we pass the first expanse of Lake,
glistening blue beneath the blister of Sun.
I lean out the window, greeting it with a quiet Hello,
my parched eyes quenched by all that water, fringed by eyelashes of pines on the other side,
the road curving like a River,
another Lake sprawling around the bend, larger than the one we just passed,
its vastness filling me up with a lightness, the weight of the boulder compressing my chest,
lifting, as Lakes and trees replace pavement and steel.
I fidget in the passenger seat, like when I was small, itching to be a part of it all,
to feel the grass and moss beneath my feet,
to inhale Air, laced with the fragrance of pine,
to dive into the Lake, maybe for the last time,
before summer curls into fall,
to float on my back beneath the bowl of blue Sky,
cluttered only by clouds and the honks of geese or the screeches of gulls,
to clomp into the forest to retrieve the missing piece of me,
that flits up there, somewhere, in the hills, amongst the trees,
where my Breath breathes, long and deep.
Almost there, all that space and Air,
uncluttered and free.
Hope the trees don't mind,
if I bring a speck of it
back with me.

Sylvie Kalenda

Section 31.1 Drag Lake Lodge

The following excerpt is from the book, Where the Two Lakes Meet: The History of the Drag Lake Community (1850-present), written and researched by Charles and Laurie Wheeler.

Fred James Jones (1900-1957) and Anna Bell Archer (1903-1970) were the visionaries that developed Drag Lake Lodge (DLL) in the 1930's. Married on July 17,1926 their marriage certificate shows Fred's occupation as Clerk and Anna as House Maid.

Anna was the sister of Ray Archer who was the founder of the Cozy Corner Restaurant in Haliburton. Her parents were William Archer and Margaretta Robertson. Margaretta was part of the large local Robertson family. She was born in 1905, likely on her parent's farm in Allsaw. The 1921 census finds her father identified as a labourer doing odd jobs. Their eldest son Ray was a cook in the logging camps.

Frederick James Jones was born on 25 February 1900 to Annie Pollock and James Jones in Wiarton, Ontario. His father was a mechanic on the railroad… By 1920, Fred was living in Haliburton, showing up on the Assessment rolls as a Stave Jointer and living at the Standard Hotel run by Ray Lucas. Fred initially worked for Malloy and Bryans and then Carew Lumber Company (who) … had a large sawmill in the village of Haliburton at or near the present location of the Bandshell. His lumber rule is in the HHM… In 1929, Fred and Annie were still tenants in town but there was a notation on the Assessment in the margins in pencil noting that Fred owned bush lots on Drag Lake.

Fred and Anna's first purchase on Drag Lake was in 1929, when they bought the key piece of their future Drag Lake lodge for $150: 33 acres in Lot 33, Con VI, Dysart Twp. In that year, he must have already built

Fred Jones (right) and Ray Archer (left),1954,
SOURCE: Catharine Gonnsen

a cottage on the land for he sold one to George Earle in 1929 who was assessed for a half acre lot there and a building valued at $150 in 1929. By 1930, Fred, Anna Belle, and their daughter Miriam were all living on their 33 acre property which wrapped around South Bay. This was likely the location of Laking Lumber's old Camp #2... In 1931, they added another 100 acres, and by 1933, they were assessed for $625 in buildings, so maybe 5 cabins. As they continued to add to their cottages, by 1936, they were assessed for $900 in buildings. By 1937, the property was the first on the lake to be assessed an additional $150 business assessment.

DLL has a been a fixture on the lake since the late 1920s and became well known in southern Ontario for fine hospitality, good home cooked food and the beauty and adventure of the Highlands and Drag Lake…

The first advertisement in the GTA for DLL that we could find appeared in the Toronto Star on 2 May 1931 "Drag Lake, Kosy Kabins, good for bathing and fishing. Further information. Apply to Fred Jones Haliburton Ontario"… A beautiful Historic Drag Lake Lodge air photo map of Drag Lake, likely prepared @ 1940 by Fred Jones for his clients, shows that there was a Motor Rd/Highway to the Lodge from Haliburton which appears to be the first piece of Kennaway Rd branching off into Fred Jones Dr (FJD) and FJD had been extended as far as Love`s Point. The map also shows the main lodge building, seven cabins up the east side of the bay and five cottages up the west side of the bay that were part of the DLL operation at the time…

Fred Jones served on Dysart Council from 1931 to 1935 and was Reeve in the latter two years.

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He came to own large tracts of land in Dudley Township on the south and west sides of Drag Lake including the DLL property…

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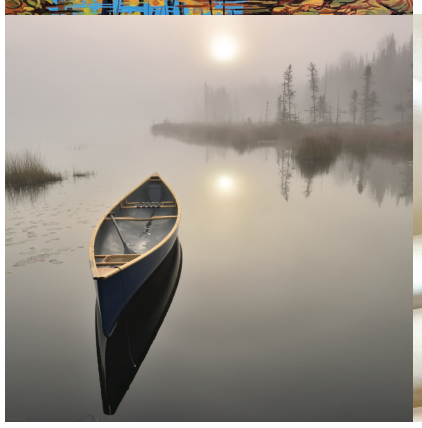

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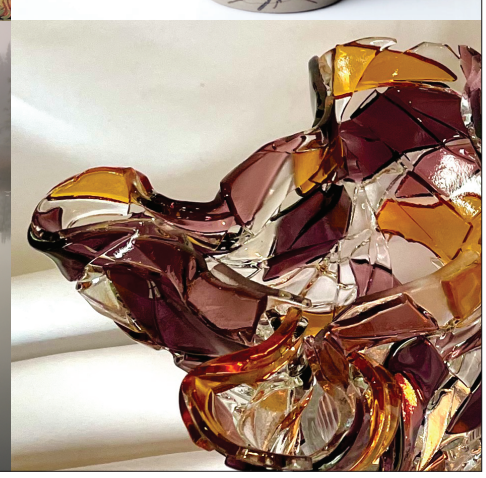

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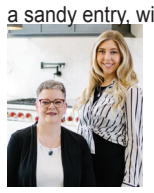

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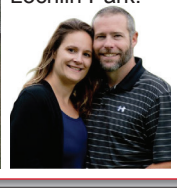

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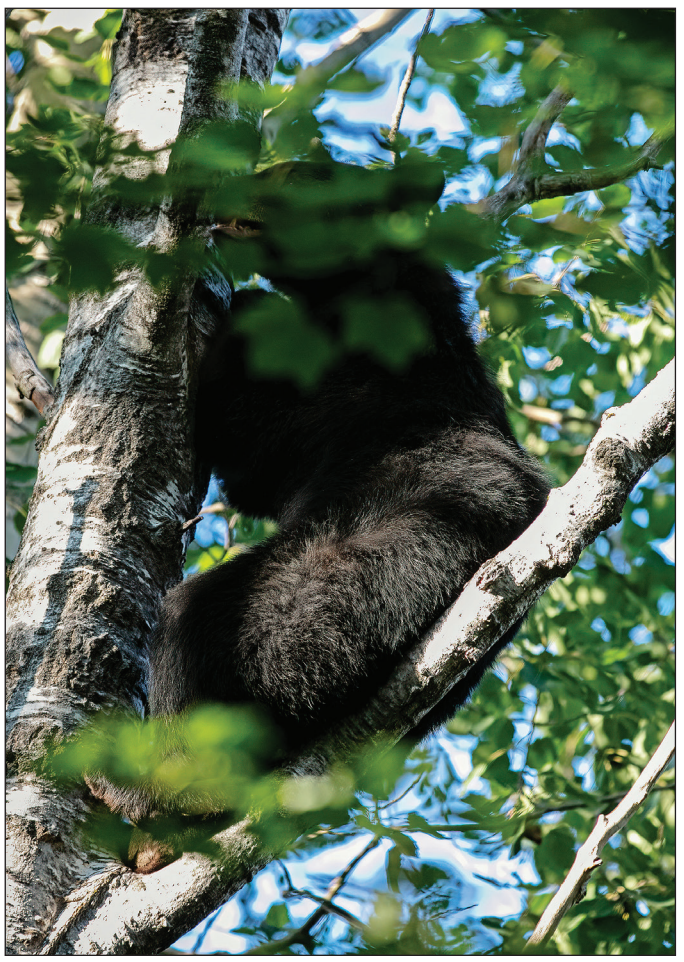

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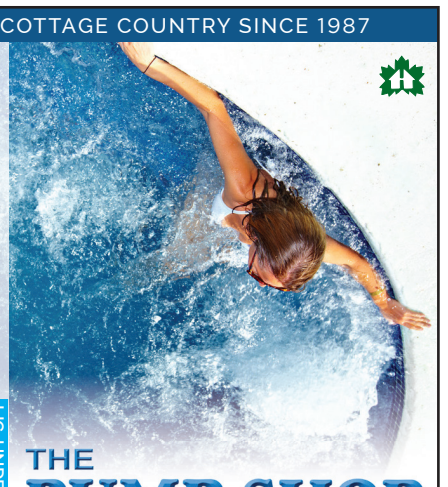

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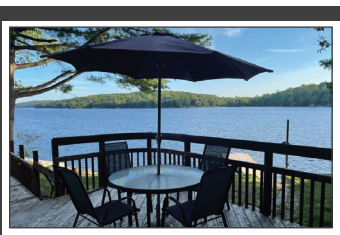

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Kushog Lake $785,000

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- Western Exposure
- Sandy Bottom
- Deep Off Dock

Dagmar Boettcher**
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Hunter Creek Rd $1,400,000

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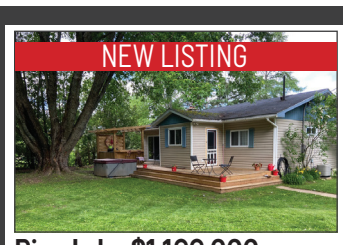
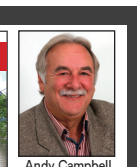
- Potential to sever lots





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Pine Lake $1,199,000

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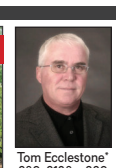

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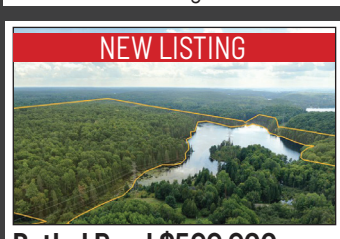

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Bethel Road $599,900

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- Gated driveway to private, cleared building site
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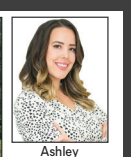

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Oblong Lake $649,000

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- Over 700 feet of clean, sand & rock frontage
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Brandon Nimigon***
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Haliburton Home $849,000

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Drag Lake $1,499,000

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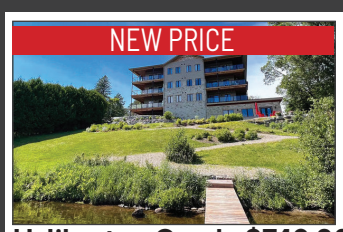

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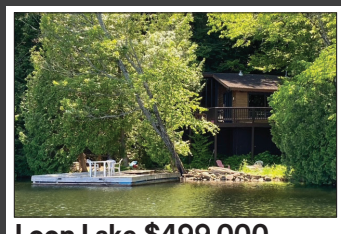

Greg Stamp*
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Loon Lake $499,000

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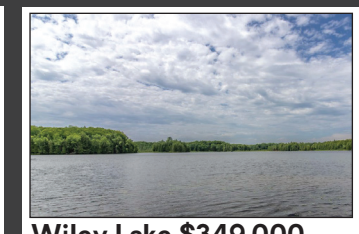
- 187 feet of Very Clean Waterfront
- Sits on 1.273 Acres
- Water Access Only



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Wiley Lake $349,000

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- Clean shoreline with North-Western exposure
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Canning Lake $3,500,000

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Council To Protest Cut In Rail Service

On Monday afternoon last a deputation of business men of Haliburton appeared before the members of the Dysart council to enlist their support in maintaining triweekly rail service from Lindsay to Haliburton.

Council gave the deputation a most considerate hearing and stated that they were prepared to do anything within their power to press for the three day per week service.

All were agreed that anything less would mean, in a very short time, railway service would cease, insofar as Lindsay to Haliburton is concerned.

Following a thorough discussion of the railway service from every angle, as it effects us in this area, council passed the following motion:

Be it resolved that the clerk and Mr. R. J. Curry compose and send to the Department of Transport a strong letter of protest relative to the curbing of rail activity into Haliburton.

Attached to this letter will be a petition which is being circulated within the municipality. We estimate that some 600 people have already signed the petition and as the petition has one more week to go, many more can be expected to sign.

Petitions are also located in Donald, Lochlin, Gelert, Kinmount, Burnt River and Fenelon Falls.

Tourists In Haliburton Take Off

Most everyone who summers around Ontario's highland lakes knows the two trim little Piper seaplanes of the Haliburton Air Service. At some time during the week, one of the planes is sure to zoom down over the evergreens and skim in for a landing. Now and then, charter passengers are waiting at the dock. More often, the local vacationers line up to sample what is fast becoming an established summer pastime in the Haliburton district: the sightseeing air junket.

Ex-RCAF mechanic Ron Tyler, who owns HAS, discovered his fellow man's yen to rubber-neck by air several years ago. Since 1947, when Tyler first set up shop on Lake Kashagawigamog with a single second hand Seabee amphibian, barnstorming the lake communities at three dollars a flip has successfully backboned his summertime trade. "The sightseers don't seem to mind where we fly them," says Tyler. "Just so long as we fly."

Actually, the Haliburton air-flip is currently one of the most fascinating adventures within reach of the Ontario holidayer's pocketbook. In one 20-minute swing from his vacation lake, an HAS passenger can glimpse areas that a few years ago were known only to Indian trappers, loggers or government surveyors. When Tyler first began flying in the highlands, lakes such as Boshkung, Ninitiga, Kushog and Kawagama were scarcely on the map, let alone familiar to vacationers. "Now," grins HAS's boss, a born-and-bred Haliburton man, "you can follow the tough old canoe trails and still get back to the cottage in time for lunch."

While the sightseeing traffic keeps his two aircraft and three staff pilots busily likehopping during the summer season, Tyler also handles a year-round charter service. (He replaces his pontoons with skis in the winter.) "Sometimes prospectors," he explains. "But mostly hunters and fishermen. We've got about 1,000 good fishing lakes to choose from around here. One of my first jobs was to fly in and stock them with speckled trout."

As well, the planes are on constant call as airborne ambulances. During the past 13 years they have made scores of 60 minute sprints from local lake resorts to Toronto with emergency hospital cases aboard.

HAS pilots are also becoming well-known as the eyes of Haliburton's lost and found patrol. At least half a dozen lost hunters or fishermen are located by the air service each year. In 1959, Tyler spotted a group of scouts who had wandered off course during a bush hike, flew them back to safety in relays.

How do the flyers know the wanderers down below are lost? Says Tyler: "They wave to us like crazy. These days, we know an aircraft isn't much of a curiosity in the highlands. So if anyone looks particularly interested in us, we usually fly in to investigate."

—Betty Lee in the Globe & Mail.

Record Enrolment At High School

At the time the establishment of a county area high school in the Provisional County of Haliburton was first under discussion, officials of the Department of Education stated that an enrolment of at least 150 pupils would be necessary before the matter would be considered.

When a survey was made it was ascertained that at least 200 scholars would be in attendance and shortly after the plans were laid for the construction of the new high school. This year sees a record enrolment of 432 pupils in attendance. This we might add is an increase of 35 over the previous year.

Not only have we a lot of new scholars at our high school, but we have four new teachers, namely Mr. R. Sharrette, who comes here from Sudbury and will teach French and Latin; Mrs. M. Kuno, who was attached to the Bicroft public school, will conduct the classes in home economics; Mr. John Gill of Toronto, who we might state, holds a master of arts degree and who has been a member of a team which has made a geological survey, will be giving instruction in science and geology and Mr. William Munro formerly of Peterboro, will teach forestry and science. If our information is correct this is the first time that forestry has been taught in any high school or collegiate in the province.

We welcome these new citizens to this area and trust that they will enjoy living and working in the Highlands of Haliburton.

The number on the high school staff at present is 18 and in case you are interested the new addition is supposed to be ready for classes in late October.

WHAT DYSART COUNCIL DID

Dysart council met on Monday, September 12, 1960 at 9 a.m. with all members present.

Following the reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, general accounts Nos. 723 to 812 amounting to $26,899.64 were duly passed. Direct relief accounts for August amounting to $560.65 were also passed. Relief accounts for August of one year ago amounted to $759.14, so it will be seen that at present unemployment as far as Dysart is concerned, does not appear to be a matter for much concern.

It was moved that the Department of Highways of Ontario be petitioned for the interim statuary subsidy on a total expenditure of $64,022.55 from January 1 to August 31, 1960, approved under by-laws 60-5 and 60-13.

A by-law to incorporate South Kennisis Drive in the townships of Havelock and Guilford into the municipal road system was given first reading.

The matter of the width of Highway 519 across lots 1 to 5, concession 1, Dysart, and the damage to fences along the north side of same are to be drawn to the attention of the Department of Highways.

That the clerk write to the Dept. of Lands and Forests to determine the status of the road from the municipal road to the Harburn fire tower.

That Harold Brodhagen be written requesting him to endeavor to curtail the noise created by his dogs and informing him that unless it is curtailed, legal action will be taken immediately.

That application be made to the Canadian National Railways to purchase the right of way of the I.B.&O. in the Township of Harcourt.

The following conveyances of land were approved as required in by-law 59-8:

Lot 16, con. IX of the Township of Guilford from Calvin and Beatrice Bailey to Ivor and Jean Ley.

Part of lot 15 and 16, con. IX in Township of Harburn from Clayton W. Hodgson to J. Douglas Hodgson and his wife Barbara Hodgson.

Part of lots 15 and 16, con. IX Harburn from Clayton W. Hodgson to Louis M. Hodgson and his wife Cleo Hodgson.

Part of lot 15 and part of original allowance for road between lots 15 and 16 closed by by-law 1161 all in concession IX in the Township of Harburn from Clayton W. Hodgson to Anna English.

Part of lots 15 and 16, con. IX, township of Harburn and part of the intervening original allowance for road closed by by-law 1161 from Clayton W. Hodgson to Richard E. and Marguerite Sutton.

Part of lot 4, con. V in the township of Guilford from Basil Cooper to Edward Ramage.

Part of lot 4, con. V, in the township of Guilford from Edward Ramage to Edward A. and Daisy L. Rudd and Maurice and Iris Freeman.

Part of lot 30, con. VII in the township of Dysart from George E. Swift, trustee, to Karl and Rosemarie Stoss.

Part of lot 27, con. VII, in the township of Harcourt from Fred E. A. Griffiths to Fred H. Gray.

Part of lot 29, con. V in the township of Dysart from Fred Johnston to Victor and Joan Hutchings.

Part of lot 16, con. X in the township of Dysart from M. Biagi to Howard and Glada Roberts.

Part of lot 3, con. IV in the township of Guilford from H. Rexford Boice to Kenneth Sawyer.

Part of lot 3, con. IV, in the township of Guilford from Kenneth Sawyer to H. Rexford Boice.

It was moved and passed that J. Giovanetti of lot 53 plan 404 be granted permission to construct a road across the north easterly corner of block C in said plan to provide access to his lot.

It was resolved that an additional grant of $1,000 be made to the recreation committee towards the expenses of the dock at the Rotary beach.

Council recommended that the council for the year of 1961, when setting up its budget, give consideration to a grant towards the construction of a dock at the Rotary beach.

It was moved and passed

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A Day at the Fair

Saturday at noon was a grand day, a little cool and breezy, but still nice and sunny. Nearly everyone turned up at the Minden fair sooner or later and the crowd numbered about 2,500.

With the smaller ring busy most of the time with horses and ponies, and the race track in use with races by various groups. A continuous show was carried on from 1 p.m. until all were ready to leave.

The genial emcee, Bob Harvey Jr., kept all the events in order and made introductions to all the various numbers. Peter the Clown was an attraction for both year and old.

An item of note was the 4-H calf club achievement day and the younger members received their various awards.

Added to this was the music of the Barrie Pipe Band with members dressed in traditional uniforms and playing many times during the afternoon.

When the judging in the show building was completed many excellent exhibits of fine hand work, domestic science, vegetables, fruit and grain were on display.

This year the vegetable and fruit show was a good deal better as the frost had held off and all were freshly picked. Outside were the cages of poultry, ducks, some cats and kittens.

The best dog on a lead was taken by Bobby Burns and second by Master Robinson of Ingoldsby.

The winner of the draw of $100 was George Cowan and his son sold the winning ticket and received $25. Winner of $50 was T. Vallas of Oak Ridges and of the $20 was Garnet Francis of Gelert. The sweater draw for the curling club was won by Mrs. Arnold Gartshore.

Winner of the fiddlers' contest was Tim Huntingdon of Minden and the step dance was Fred Reynolds.

The horseshoe pitching resulted in a win for the "men in blue," Jack Eastwood and Earl Bush, with a second for Frank Page and Larry Lonsberry.

A special word should be said of the work by the president and his genial wife, Garnet and Illa Lytle and other members of the executive and board who have literally "lived the fair" for the past several weeks.

A fair is only as successful as its workers and we are fortunate in having such a splendid society. Keep on with the good work and may your fair be even better another year.

Weather Report

Period of September 1-14

Maximum temp., 89 deg., September 8. This was the hottest day of the year in this area.

Minimum temp., 30 deg., on September 14. While frost has been reported in some localities over the last month it was general throughout the highlands on the morning of September 14.

Average maximum was 70.7 degrees.

Average minimum was 44 degrees.

The grounds in the bush are very dry and the same can be said for many wells in the area. Rainfall so far this month is a scant .02 inches.

LANDS & FORESTS REPORT

A conviction was recently registered against a scarboro man for setting out a fire without obtaining a fire permit from the Dept. of Lands and Forests or a township fire warden.

This man had previously obtained fire permits and therefore was acquainted with the regulations concerning the use of fires in forested areas.

On August 15, with the fire hazard on the upswing, the Gooderham and Harvey detection towers located the smoke at 3:15 p.m. and reported it to the chief ranger headquarters.

A crew was immediately dispatched and arrived at the scene at 4:05 p.m. to find the owner of the lot burning slash without a permit and possibly endangering other properties due to the high fire danger rating.

The Ontario Provincial Police made an investigation and a charge was laid under the Forest Fires Prevention Act. On August 30 the owner of the lot was convicted and fined $25 and $3 court costs.

A fire permit does not absolve the permittee of his responsibility of keeping his fire under control and extinguish it properly, but it does inform the forest rangers and detection towers of the expected fire location, thus relieving them of making unnecessary investigations.

Consult your nearest forest ranger or warden on your brush disposal problems and obtain a burning permit before attempting to burn.

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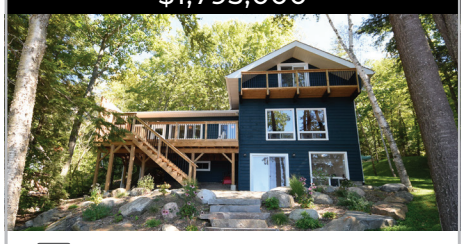
KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE
$3,495,000

3 X BED · 5.33 ACRES · GUEST CABIN
2 X BATH · 620 FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40279170

KENNISIS LAKE
$2,125,000

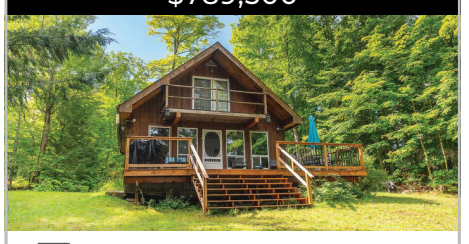
4 X BED · 6.27 ACRES · 1900 SQ.FT
3 X BATH · 642.78 FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40275471

KENNISIS LAKE
$1,795,000



4 X BED · .566 ACRES · 1500 SQ.FT
2 X BATH · 104 FT. FRONTAGE · WEST VIEW

STORMY LAKE
$789,500



3 X BED · .875 ACRES · 868 SQ.FT
1 X BATH · 229+ FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40316793

BUILDING AND LAND
$375,000
COMMERCIAL

GREAT LOCATION · 5.129 ACRES
2,000 SQ.FT WORKSHOP · MLS# 40310596

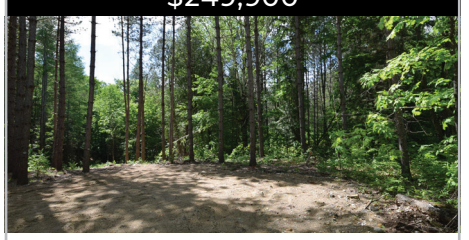
KAWAGAMA LAKE
$279,000

WATER ACCESS ONLY (WAO) · .590 ACRES
102 FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40212937

BURNT RIVER
$249,900

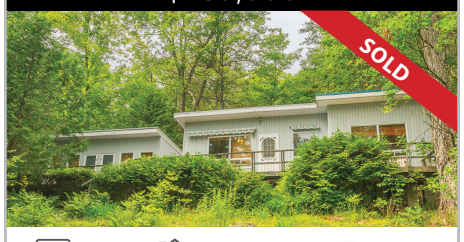
MUNICIPAL YEAR-ROUND RD. · .531 ACRES
164+ FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40308031

HARBURN RD.
$249,900



GREAT LOCATION · 16+ ACRES
MUNICIPAL YEAR-ROUND RD. · MLS# 40296528

KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE
$789,000
SOLD



3 X BED · DRY BOATHOUSE · 658 SQ.FT
1 X BATH · 131+ FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40297608

REDSTONE LAKE
$849,000
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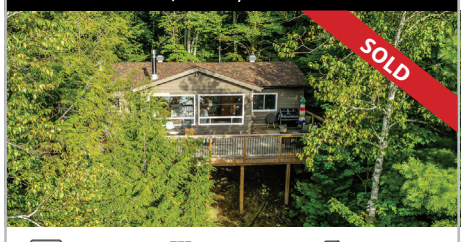

4 X BED · 1.43 ACRES · 954 SQ.FT
1 X BATH · 214+ FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40307974

KENNISIS LAKE
$895,000
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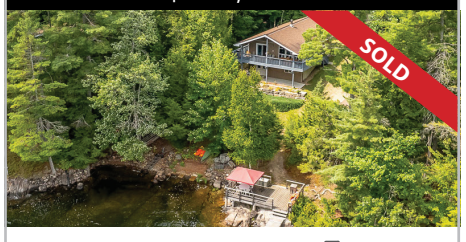

3 X BED · .408 ACRES · 1,724 SQ.FT
2 X BATH · 102+ FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40310766

LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE
$1,190,000
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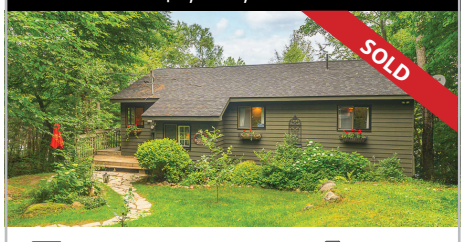

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2 X BATH · 101 FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40301587

KENNISIS LAKE
$1,685,000
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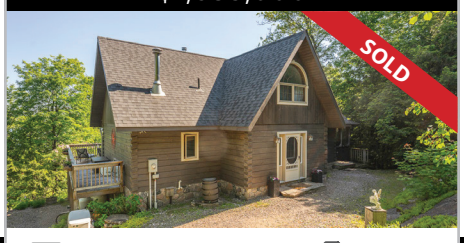

4 X BED · .578 ACRES · 2,534 SQ.FT
4 X BATH · 100 FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40278705

KENNISIS LAKE
$3,485,000
SOLD

3 X BED · GREAT LOCATION · 2 BDRM BUNKIE
2 X BATH · 279+ FT. FRONTAGE · MLS# 40301765

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